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Between 10th and 11th Streets, fronting Pennsylvania Avenue.  
Sales of Real Estate, Furniture, and Personal Property, attended to at any place within the city, march 9-11

**DENNIS PUMPHREY'S** Livery Stable, corner of 6th and C streets. Horses and Carriages to hire. Horses taken at livery, and kept in the best manner.

**A. GLADMON,**  
House Carpenter and Joiner.  
Shop corner of 9th and M streets, Washington. Where, at all times, Sash, Blinds, Doors, &c., can be had. All manner of work in his line will be executed at the shortest notice.

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**RICHARD VANSAN,**  
Merchant Tailor and Gentleman's Furnishing store, Pennsylvania Avenue between 14th and 15th streets, and adjoining Fuller's Hotel. march 12-11

**W. M. NOELL,** Venetian Blind maker, south side Pennsylvania Avenue, between 9th and 10th streets. Blinds of all sizes and colors, furnished to order. Old blinds retrimmed and painted.

**JONATHAN T. WALKER.**—House Carpenter and Joiner on K street, shop corner K and 8th streets.

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**C. H. VAN PATTEN, M. D.,** Dentist, PERFORMS all operations upon the Teeth. Gums and Mouth, with the greatest care and skill. Office near Brown's Hotel, and next door to Fiddler's Hat Store. feb 25-11

**CHEAP FOR CASH!!**  
**L. S. BECK & SON,**  
House-Furnishing Store, Pennsylvania Avenue, South side, between 9th and 10th streets, Washington.

We have on hand new and second-hand goods: such as Bedsteads, Beds, and Belding; Tables, Chairs, Bureaus and Sideboards; China, Glass, and Crockeryware, Cutlery, Hollow-ware of every variety, Shovels and Tongs, Carpets, Brooms, Brushes, Willow and Wickerware; with a variety of articles too numerous to mention. apr 16

**I. S. BALL,**  
Dealer in Tobacco, Snuff & Cigars, Pennsylvania Avenue, between Fuller's & Galloway's Hotel. apr 25

**S. BALL** also repairs Watches and Jewelry. apr 22-11

**EARTHENWARE, CHINA AND GLASS,**  
**T. FURSELL,** Importer and Dealer in E. Ware, China and Glass, wholesale and retail, at his store, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington city, D. C.

**CUPPING, LEECHING AND BLEEDING.**  
A large supply of best Swedish Leeches, already on hand, to be applied or for sale, by **SAM'L. DEVAUGHN,** 9th street. Who also has ICE for sale, whenever called for, as above. apr 2-11

**W. WHITNEY.**—Boot and Shoe Dealer, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue, has received his fall stock of Boots and Shoes suitable for plantation use, he invites the attention of those who wish such articles, and promises them good bargains.

**GEORGE COLLARD,**  
DEALER IN LUMBER, WOOD, COAL, LIME SAND, AND CEMENT,  
Corner of 6th st. and Missouri Avenue. Nov. 4

**D. CLAGETT & CO.,**  
DEALERS IN FANCY AND STAPLE DRY GOODS, CARPETINGS, OIL CLOTHS, CURTAIN STUFFS, &c.  
Corner of 9th street & Penn. Avenue, WASHINGTON, D. C.

**FURNITURE.**—New and second hand, daily received. For sale, on reasonable terms, by **B. HOMANS,** april 13. Between 10th and 11th streets.

**J. E. W. TOMPSON,**  
CABINET MAKER & UNDERTAKER,  
F between 13th and 14th sts., north side. Hearse kept, and funerals attended to. Nov. 4-7

## Hardware! Hardware!! Hardware!!!

**E. WHEELER,** Penn. Avenue, near 7th street. HAS just opened an entire new and well selected assortment of Hardware, Cutlery and Fancy Goods, which he offers for sale at wholesale or retail, on as accommodating terms as they can be had in the district.

His stock consists in part of the following articles: Rogers's & Son's and others' Table Cutlery in complete sets, Ivory, Buffalo, Buck, Bone, and Cocoa Dining, and Desert Knives and Forks, German Silver, and Britannia, Tea and Table Spoons, Penknives, Razors, Scissors, Nut Picks, and Crackers, Cooks', Butchers', Shoe and Carving Knives, Shufflers and Trays, Steel and Brass Audirons, Shovels and Tongs, Shovel and Tong Stands, and Fenders, Tea Trays and Walters, in sets and separately, Bellmetal and Porcelain Preserving Kettles, Iron, Tin, Tea Kettles and Sauce Pans, Long and Short Handle Frying Pans, and Store Pans, Ovens and Lids, Pots, Skillets, Griddles and extra Lids, Iron Furnaces, Potatoe Steamers, Mortars and Pestles, Waffle Irons, Sad Irons, Skimmers, Ladles and Forks, Coffee Mills, Sifters, Bread Toasters, &c., Shovels, Spades, Forks, Hay and Straw Knives, Axes, Hatchets, Hammers, Saws and Planes, Cut, wrought and Horse Shoe Nails, Cut Tacks, pat. Brads and Spangles, Rins, Cottage, Mortise and Stock Locks, Closet, Cupboard, Tilt, Chest, Trunk and Pad Locks, Mortise Stop, Knob and Thumb Latches, and Belts, Table, Butt, Parliament, H. L. & Strap Hinges, Palmer's pat. Blind Hinges, to fasten back and to Farnham's pat. Window Blind fasteners, Common and Axle Sash Pulleys and sash Cord, New England Co. Wood Screws all sizes, Sofa Springs, Bed Screws, Castors and Furniture Knobs, Curtain Bands and Pins, Iron and Brass Hail and Coat Hooks, Single and Double Barrel Guns and Apparatus, Brushes, Combs, Buttons, Needles and Pins, Shoe Thread, Cotton, Worsted, Diaper, Boot and Straining Web, Curry Combs, Horse Cards, Wool Cards, Ox, Trace Halters, Backband and Dog Chains, Brass, Copper and Iron Wire, Round, Flat and Square Iron, Hoop and Band Iron, Nail Rods, Burdens' pat. Horse Shoes, Carriage Springs, Wagon Boxes, American and English Blister, Cast and Sheet Steel, &c., &c. All of which, he will sell as low as can be had at any regular Hardware House in the city. Washington, Nov. 4, 1845.

**COMBS, BRUSHES, AND PERFUMERY.**—We have just returned from the North with an extensive assortment of the above-named articles, and are now ready to supply our customers with the best and freshest Perfumery, consisting of Pomatums, Ox Marrow, and Oils for beautifying and promoting the growth of the hair; Cold Cream, Lip Salve, Bay Rum, Parfume Cologne, Lubin's Extracts for the handkerchief, with a great variety of English and French Hair Brushes.

Also, Shell, Buffalo, and Horn dressing, tuck, and side Combs; Nail and Tooth Brushes; a very fine article of Purse, all of which we are determined to sell cheaper than the cheapest.

**S. PARKER'S** Perfumery and Fancy Store, bet. 9th and 10th streets, Pennsylvania Avenue. nov 4-11

**GEORGE W. CLARKE, BUILDER, AND GENERAL FURNISHING UNDERTAKER** corner of Virginia Avenue L and 9th street, near the Navy Yard Gate—or at his residence, on the west side of 11th street, near the eastern Branch bridge. Thankful for the liberal patronage with which he has already been favored, he respectfully solicits a continuance of the same.

Always on hand, ready for use, Pine, Cherry, Walnut, Poplar, and Mahogany, which he manufactures into Coffins at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

Hearse and carriages furnished at the shortest notice. All orders thankfully received and promptly attended to at all hours, if left at the above place.

**N. B.**—Carpenters work in all its branches done on the most reasonable terms, and at the shortest notice.

Old Furniture repaired and varnished, and made look equal to new. dec 18-6m

**LOOK T. IS WAY EVERY BODY:** Painting done by the art of Hocus Pocus. **THOMAS HILTON,** House, Sign, and Ornamental Painter. Old Chairs repainted, and Furniture varnished. He will be ready for the prompt execution of work at all times, on the most reasonable terms. Shop on 12th street, between G and H streets. march 12-11

**CUMBERLAND COAL.** from the celebrated mines of the Maryland Mining Company, and of a quality not to be surpassed elsewhere in this market, can be had by the car load, or smaller quantity, at **J. PURDY'S** Coal and Lumber Yard, Centre-market. feb 6-11

**MEDICAL NOTICE.** **DR. PHILANDER GOULD** offers his professional services to the citizens of Washington. Office on Pennsylvania Avenue, opposite Messrs. Brown's Hotel. april 11-3m

**New Flour Store.** The subscriber has taken the warehouse on the north side of water street, opposite Messrs. Read & Son, and intends keeping a supply of all the various grades of flour. He will endeavor to make it the interest of dealers in the article to give him a call, as he is determined to sell at small profits.

**LEWIS BROOKS,** feb 7-11 Water street, Georgetown.

**F. HOWARD'S IMPROVED CHEMICAL Chloride Soap.** THIS SOAP has fully stood the test of experience, and is deservedly more celebrated than any other in use, for rendering the skin smooth and soft, removing chaps, pimples and blemishes; for the preservation of the teeth and gums, and the cure of offensive breath; for cleansing and healing sores and wounds; for preserving and curing cutaneous diseases, particularly in infants; for bleaching muslins and handkerchiefs, and for the removal of grease, paint, tar, &c., from clothing. It is also much esteemed as a Shaving Soap. Prepared only by **THOMAS P. MORGAN,** Chemist, (Successor to F. Howard,) Washington, D. C.

For sale by the Druggists of the District. may 13-1m

**A Card.** The undersigned, considering himself duly qualified, offers his services to the citizens of Washington for the drawing of plans and specifications of dwelling or other houses, and also as measurer of buildings' work. Charges moderate. He may be consulted between the hours of 9 and 12 o'clock, A. M., at Mr. Purdy's Office, Lumber Yard, 7th street, Market-House square. feb 27-11

**C. H. MUNCK,** Gun, Locksmith, and Bell-Hanger, D. Between 6th and 7th Streets.

## POETRY.

Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break  
Fresh from the fount of feeling.—Percival.

The following beautiful lines by the editor of the Louisville Journal, who is now from his home, we copy from that paper:

### TO AN ABSENT WIFE.

'Tis morn—the sea breeze seems to bring  
Joy, health, and freshness on its wing—  
Bright flowers, to me all strange and new,  
Are glittering in the early dew—  
And perfumes rise from every grove,  
As incense to the clouds that move  
Like spirits o'er yon welkin clear—  
But I am sad—thou art not here.

'Tis noon—a calm, unbroken sleep  
Is on the blue waves of the deep—  
A soft haze, like a fairy dream,  
Is floating over wood and stream;  
And many a broad magnolia flower,  
Within its shadowy woodland bower,  
Is gleaming like a lovely star—  
But I am sad—thou art afar.

'Tis eve—on earth the sunset skies  
Are painting their own Eden dyes—  
The stars come down, and trembling glow  
Like blossoms in the waves below;  
And, like some unseen sprite, the breeze  
Seems lingering 'mid these orange trees,  
Breathing its music round the spot—  
But I am sad—I see thee not.

'Tis midnight—with a soothing spell,  
The far tones of the ocean swell,  
Soft as a mother's cadence mild  
Low bending o'er her sleeping child—  
And on each wandering breeze are heard  
The rich notes of the mocking bird,  
'In many a wild and wondrous lay—  
But I am sad—thou art away.

I sink in dreams—low, sweet, and clear,  
Thy own dear voice is in my ear—  
Around my neck thy tresses twine—  
Thy own loved hands are clasped in mine—  
Thy own soft lips to mine are pressed—  
Thy head is pillowed on my breast—  
Oh! I have all my heart hold dear—  
And I am happy—thou art here.

BUL. XI, MAY 31, 1846. G. D. P.

## CHOICE READING.

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger than they were before."

From the Cold Water Fountain.

## THE LAST DOLLAR.

CONCLUDED.

"Time, like a sweet stream fringed with lovely flowers, glided smoothly past, and I was no longer jealous even of the nobleman who still continued to visit the mansion of Lasalle."

"During my stay in Paris, among other evil practices, I had acquired the habit of indulging in drink. It was a collegiate acquaintance who first led me into this evil, and it had grown upon me. The sweetened liquors and fancy drinks that the restaurateurs of the French capital know so well how to prepare, had created an appetite for the other stimulants, and I had acquired the habit of brandy drinking, although only in small quantities as you drink now. Pierre Lasalle, above all other things on earth, dreaded a drinker. His father had died from the effects of drink."

"Returning from Iberville one evening, I stopped at his house. I had never passed it since my return without stopping, I could not on this occasion. I had met a number of my early companions in Iberville, and during the day we had drank much wine around the billiard table. I was somewhat intoxicated, but not so much so as not to perceive that the old man received me rather uncourteously. Stung with harsh treatment, and then under the influence of brandy. My desire to see Louise overcame my prudence, and my nice sense of honor was blunted by intoxication. I can scarcely tell what passed on the occasion. My conduct, however, was gross. I demanded, in angry words, an explanation of his former treatment, and I endeavored, (monster as I was) to seize Louise in my arms, but was prevented by the interference of the French nobleman, who at the time received a blow from me that felled him to the earth. A duel was the consequence. The Frenchman was wounded, but a far deeper wound was given to me by a note from Louise. I need not tell you all that this note contained; it forbade me any further acquaintance. From that moment, I became regardless of every thing; and the report that Louise was to be married to the Count, heighted my misery, and hastened the events that I am about to relate. It was too late to apologize—to promise reformation. I flung my-

self on board a passing boat, and in a few hours was in the city of New Orleans. N. Orleans was at this time wealthy and wicked, and presented almost as gay a field of dissipation as Paris itself.

"I was not long in finding a drain for my resources. Night after night saw me sleeping upon a drunkard's couch. I plunged into gambling with a perfect recklessness, and the excitement of this for a time pleased me. I was not the only one, by hundreds, of the young planters, who was then spending his thousands nightly upon faro roulette. The city seemed to be one huge gambling house. I had seen no such high gambling even in the hells of Paris. In one night alone I lost upwards of twenty thousand dollars—upon another more than half that amount. Sometimes I won largely, but the sharks, taking advantage of my recklessness and frequent intoxication, robbed me—sometimes by false dice, and often, as I found, by abstracting money from my pocket."

"On one occasion a faro dealer, thinking me intoxicated, attempted, though in a slovenly manner, to cheat me out of a thousand dollar bet. I was not too drunk to perceive his trick, but enough so to make me regardless of what I did, and drawing my pistol, I pinned his hand to the table. I shall never forget the uproar that followed. I was much abused, and in the event was compelled to pay a large sum of money to stop a prosecution that had been entered against me. In this way my fortune soon melted, until finally I obtained five thousand dollars by a mortgage on my plantation. This went like the rest, and in less than one year, I found myself beggared, and without credit; for I had even exhausted this, and what was worse than all, I had become a drunkard!"

"You may think it strange, my young friend, that I could have fallen in the course of one year; but as New Orleans then was, many a victim was made in even less time. You may think it strange still, when I relate to you the simple incident that brought me at last to my senses. I was sitting one morning in a cafe on the Rue Royale; the last dollar was in my hand; it was the last of a small sum that I had borrowed from an acquaintance. I had taken it from my pocket to spend it for drink; some circumstances that I cannot now recall, made me more sober and reflective than usual. As I held the silver dollar in my hand, my eyes inadvertently fell upon the figure of the Goddess of Liberty. Quick as thought the object suggested to my mind her whose image was still graven on my heart, so deeply that all the drink in the world could not wash it out. I fell in a train of reflections. I thought of the change that had come over me; the height from which I had fallen; the degraded situation in which I then was! But above all, I thought of her, and the question crossed my mind, whether I might not win her, having heard that she refused the French nobleman. It seemed to my then paralyzed mind a desperate resolve. But it is only when we are drowning that we strive desperately. As long as an object is within our reach we take small pains to keep it there; let us but lose it and then comes regret; the desire to win it back again; ask those who have spent a fortune. Such ambition has made the great ones of the world, and such ambition took possession of me, rendered acute by the very difficulty of the deed to be done. The dollar, to be sure, had little to do with the reformation that followed, though it certainly suggested the resolution that led to this reformation. I thrust it back into my pocket and rushed from the cafe. I have never entered one since."

"Francis, I have little more to tell you. The means by which I recovered my property were perfectly simple. I was employed in one week from the time, as clerk in a cotton broker's office, at a salary of \$3,000 a year. The broker had been a friend of my father. I recovered the amount of a debt of \$10,000 that an English merchant had been owing to my father's estate, and I shortly became a partner in the firm of my employer. At this time, cotton speculators' fortunes were often made in a few months, and I was not very long in retrieving my lost property, and what was of more consequence, my reputation."

"By a strange coincidence, my partner happened to be the agent of Pierre Lasalle, and circumstances once more brought me in contact with the old man. As I understood afterwards, he had long watched my conduct, and in due time he invited me to visit him at his hotel. You may imagine my shame at finding myself once more in the presence of his daughter, but you cannot tell the deep and thrilling joy I felt at discovering that I was forgiven—nay more, that she still loved me! Heaven once more seemed to smile upon me, and I was happy! This is the dollar."

D'Anville drew a silver dollar from his pocket, and held it forth. A small white hand was laid upon his shoulder, and a soft, liquid voice, pronounced 'Henri!' Turning we beheld Marie Louise!"